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USSN 09/541,351  
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Confirmation No. 3225  
 Francisco Barreras et al. ) Group Art:  
 ) 3766  
 For: RF COUPLED, IMPLANTABLE )  
 MEDICAL DEVICE WITH RECHARGE- )  
 ABLE BACK-UP POWER SOURCE )  
 ) Examiner:  
 Serial No. 09/541,351 ) Kennedy Schaetzle  
 )  
 Filed: 03-31-2000 )

STATUS LETTER

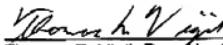
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) filed a new Declaration on **July 29, 2007**, and applicant(s) inquire(s):

- (1) what is the status of this application; and
- (2) when will a Notice of Allowance be issued on this application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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